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### DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 24-26, and 68-73 are still pending and claims 83-101 are presented for examination.

#### *Allowable Subject Matter*

2. Claims 24-26, 68-73 and 83-101 are allowed. ~~able~~

#### *Interference*

3. All claims are allowable. However, due to a potential interference, *ex parte* prosecution is **SUSPENDED**. Upon expiration of the period of suspension, applicant should make an inquiry as to the status of the application.

4. The Group and Art Unit location of your application in the PTO has changed. To aid in correlating any papers for this application, all further correspondence regarding this application should be directed to Group Art Unit 1652.

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Einar Stole, Ph.D., whose telephone number is (703) -305-4507. The examiner can normally be reached Tuesday through Friday 6:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

If attempts to reach the examiner are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Robert A. Wax, can be reached on (703)-308-4216. The fax phone number for Technology Center 1600 is (703)-305-7401.

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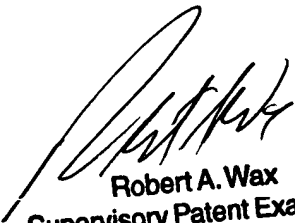
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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Technology Center 1600 receptionist whose telephone number is (703)-308-0196.

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